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Jobless rates down in 96 counties from June 2010 to June 2011

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EDITOR'S NOTE: June's preliminary and May's revised county unemployment rate charts are posted at http://workforce.ky.gov/June11charts.pdf. Acrobat Reader is required to view charts. To download Acrobat Reader, please see the end of this news release.

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Unemployment rates fell in 96 Kentucky counties between June 2010 and June 2011, while 19 county rates increased and five counties remained the same, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 7.4 percent. It was followed by Larue County, 7.5 percent; Fayette County, 7.6 percent; Oldham County, 7.7 percent; Hancock County, 7.8 percent; Calloway County, 7.9 percent; Ohio County, 8 percent; Madison County, 8.1 percent; and Scott, Shelby and Warren counties, 8.2 percent each.

Jackson County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 16.8 percent. It was followed by Magoffin County, 16.7 percent; Menifee County, 14.5 percent; Clay County, 14.4 percent; Fulton County, 14.3 percent; Lewis County, 14.1 percent; McCreary County, 13.9 percent; Bell County, 13.5 percent; Elliott County, 13.4 percent; and Wolfe County, 13.3 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do

not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county figures.

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